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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the references, copies enclosed, which may qualify as prior art. For the Examiner's convenience, the references are listed on the attached patent and Trademark Office Form PTO-1449.

We would also like the Examiner to be aware of co-pending U.S. patent applications 09/383,062, filed 08/25/1999, for "Rapid Quantitative Analysis of Proteins or Protein Function in Complex Mixtures"; 09/839,884 filed 04/20/2001 for "Rapid Quantitative Analysis of Proteins or Protein Function in Complex Mixtures"; and 09/528,603 filed 03/20/2000 for "Isotope Distribution Encoded Tags for Protein Identification". Copies of these applications, as-filed, are included for the Examiner's convenience. In addition, copies of PCT publications WO 00/11208, WO 98/26095, and

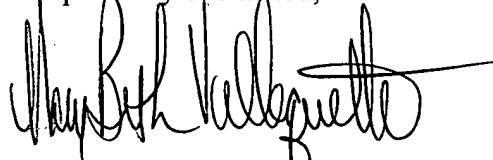
WO 90/04786, corresponding to the foreign filing of these U.S. applications are included and listed on form PTO 1449.

The references and information provided herewith are cited in a spirit of forthrightness and cooperation to enable Applicants to obtain that measure of protection for the invention to which there is entitlement. However, no representation is made that the listed art actually qualifies as prior art under the patent statute and the mere use of PTO-1449 is not an admission that all listed references are prior art. No representation is made that Applicants know of the best art.

References listed in the PTO Form 1449 submitted herewith which do not specify the month of publication have a year of publication sufficiently earlier than the effective US filing date and any foreign priority date so that the particular month of publication is not in issue.

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Respectfully submitted,

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